



Marina Reader

Long Beach Parks, Recreation and Marine

FROM THE MANAGER

By Elvira Hallinan
Interim Manager of Marinas and Beaches

Spring is in the air, and moving the clock forward means longer evenings to enjoy the waterfront. This time of year means the Grand Prix is right around the corner. Every year, we review the operations from the previous year, and try to make operational adjustments if we can.

From my understanding, the event went pretty smooth last year. Although parking was impacted, it never seemed to be a real problem. If you have any recommendations as to how we could improve it, please let me know.

We have not had much of a winter, and the weather says we are at the "official start of the boating season" which means the annual opening of our resident yacht clubs.

In the Long Beach Marinas, we are very fortunate to have many functioning yacht clubs. In Alamitos Bay, we have the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club, the Long Beach Yacht Club, the Seal Beach Yacht Club, the Navy Yacht Club of Long beach, the Little Ships Fleet Yacht

Club and the Bahia Marina Yacht Club. In the Shoreline Marine, the Shoreline Yacht Club is as vibrant as every. These are all very active clubs with facilities that are busy most of the year, particularly on weekends, and are very active in local racing. In addition we are home to the Long Beach Marina Yacht Club, as well as a number of boating associations.

We have always considered yacht clubs to be partners of the marina operation, in that we normally share customers. Thriving yacht clubs benefit a marina operation as it gives boat owners another reason to be in the marina, and a desirable marina operation that offers quality, reasonable berthing benefits the local yacht clubs.

The City has always been supportive of our local yacht clubs. If you are not already a member of one (or more) of these yacht clubs, I highly recommend that you consider joining one. The social, educational, competitive and youth opportunities afforded by these clubs can do nothing but make your boating experience more enjoyable. Call a marina office if you need yacht club contact information.

Grand Prix Information 2014

Along with the noise and excitement of the Grand Prix also comes inconvenience. We apologize in advance and appreciate everyone's cooperation.

Please refer to your March Marina Reader or check the notices posted on the gangways for a complete list of street closures and ingress and egress details.

NO GUEST PASSES of any kind will be issued. Only Long Beach Shoreline Marine parking passes, with the "14" decal, will be honored during the event. If you have friends coming to visit, you need to make

plans to bring them into the marina with your or they must walk down. Shoreline Village will be closed from 6AM to 7PM to anyone without Grand Prix tickets.

Parking is difficult at best and very impacted during this event, so, the best suggestion is to plan ahead. Again, we appreciate everyone's cooperation during this time. If you have any questions, or concerns contact Kimarie Vestre at (562) 570-3236.

The City of Long Beach, Marine Bureau, rents slips in the Rainbow Harbor Marina for the weekend. The Rainbow Harbor Marina sits below Shoreline Village, adjacent to the track along Shoreline Drive. Because of the great location our guest dock fees are \$5 a foot with a three-night minimum.

If you are interested, or know a friend who may be interested, in reserving a slip you can call the office at (562) 570-8636 or email staff at Karen.schoeppe@long-beach.gov.

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TIDE CHART

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

April 2014

	LOW TIDE				HIGH TIDE			
	AM	Ht.	PM	Ht.	AM	Ht.	PM	Ht.
1. Tu	5:06	-0.5	4:56	0.8	11:17	4.5	11:08	5.7
2. W	5:51	-0.4	5:30	1.3	12:06	4.0	11:44	5.4
3. Th	6:41	0.0	6:05	1.8	--	--	1:02	3.5
4. F	7:37	0.3	6:46	2.3	12:23	5.0	2:16	3.2
5. Sa	8:48	0.6	7:52	2.7	1:09	4.6	4:03	3.0
6. Su	10:12	0.8	9:54	2.8	2:12	4.2	5:48	3.2
7. M	11:27	0.7	11:37	2.6	3:41	3.9	6:42	3.5
8. Tu	--	--	12:21	0.6	5:10	3.9	7:13	3.8
9. W	12:37	2.2	1:01	0.6	6:15	4.0	7:37	4.1
10. Th	1:18	1.7	1:33	0.5	7:04	4.2	7:59	4.4
11. F	1:53	1.2	2:01	0.5	7:45	4.4	8:21	4.7
12. Sa	2:26	0.8	2:28	0.5	8:23	4.5	8:43	5.0
13. Su	2:58	0.4	2:54	0.6	8:59	4.5	9:07	5.3
14. M	3:32	0.0	3:21	0.7	9:37	4.5	9:33	5.5
15. Tu	4:07	-0.3	3:49	0.9	10:15	4.4	10:01	5.7
16. W	4:46	-0.5	4:19	1.2	10:58	4.1	10:33	5.7
17. Th	5:28	-0.5	4:52	1.5	11:45	3.9	11:09	5.7
18. F	6:17	-0.4	5:30	1.9	12:40	3.6	11:52	5.5
19. Sa	7:13	-0.3	6:19	2.2	--	--	1:49	3.3
20. Su	8:20	-0.1	7:34	2.5	12:44	5.2	3:16	3.3
21. M	9:35	0.0	9:24	2.5	1:53	4.8	4:41	3.6
22. Tu	10:46	0.0	11:06	2.2	3:22	4.5	5:43	4.0
23. W	11:47	0.0	--	--	4:53	4.5	6:30	4.5
24. Th	12:20	1.5	12:38	0.0	6:09	4.5	7:09	5.0
25. F	1:17	0.8	1:22	0.1	7:12	4.6	7:45	5.4
26. Sa	2:06	0.2	2:02	0.2	8:07	4.7	8:20	5.8
27. Su	2:50	-0.3	2:39	0.5	8:57	4.6	8:54	6.0
28. M	3:32	-0.7	3:15	0.8	9:43	4.5	9:27	6.1
29. Tu	4:13	-0.8	3:49	1.1	10:29	4.3	10:00	6.0
30. W	4:54	-0.8	4:23	1.5	11:14	4.1	10:33	5.8

Congressional Cup

April 6 – 13
Belmont Pier

For information: www.lbyc.org
(562) 598-9401

Long Beach Grand Prix

April 11 – 13

For information: www.lbgp.com
(562) 981-2600

Easter

Sunday, April 20

Mother's Day

Sunday, May 11

Long Beach Gay Pride Festival

May 17 & 18
11AM - 11PM

The parade travels on Ocean Blvd. from Temple Ave. to Alamitos Ave
The Marina Green, Rainbow Lagoon and Shoreline Drive will be used for vendor booths, entertainment and food
For information: www.longbeachpride.com
(562) 987-9191

Memorial Day

Monday, May 26

PHONE NUMBERS TO KEEP ON HAND

Long Beach Police
Marine Patrol Emergency 911
or 9911 (Dock Phone)

Rainbow Harbor Office
562.570.8636

Non Emergency
562.435.6711

Maintenance during
working hours
562.570.1582

Shoreline Office
562.570.4950

After office hours
562.570.3101

Alamitos Bay Office
562.570.3215



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CLASSES

SEAMANSHIP COURSE

Begins Wednesday, May 14

9 weeks, 7 - 9PM

\$65 – SYC and APS Members

\$115 – General Public

Shoreline Yacht Club

386 Shoreline Drive

Long Beach, CA 90802

For additional information call Marion Seaman at (310) 632-4748 or email at: marionseaman1@aol.com

This Seamanship course is a natural first or next step in building a foundation for confidence and competence for safe and enjoyable boating on the water.

It extends the knowledge and skills of the boater in handling and maneuvering a vessel, either sail or power.

The course provides a better understanding of how boats behave under various conditions including close quarters and open water operations.

Knowledge and skills are increased in the areas of anchoring, emergencies,

rules of the road, and marlinespike/basic knots. Appendices include information to safe operation in waters of our neighbors to the north and south, Canada and Mexico.

The course content and our coastal navigation courses should help in preparation for completion of the US Coast Guard licensing examination. An On-The-Water component at a date and time to be arranged enhances the learning experience.

Course completion is documented by a closed book exam graded by USPS Headquarters.

The San Diego Maritime Institute offers a variety of marine related course's at locations throughout the southland and online for those of you that prefer not to travel. For information you can call (888) 262-8020 or visit their web site:

www.maritimeinstitute.com.

An online radar course will be offered May 5 – 9.

SAILING SKILLS COURSE

Begins Friday, April 18

7:30 - 9:30PM

\$45

Police Station 5375 E. 2nd St

For further information, email Vatz at bobnflip@aol.com, or call him at (562) 493-3479.

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary is set to teach Sailing Skills and Seamanhip at the Long Beach police station starting April 18.

"Students should take the course to be able to safely operate a sailboat," said Bob Vatz, who's scheduled to teach the eight-week course with Tony Ashlin. Vatz and Ashlin are USCG Aux instructors with the Long Beach Flotilla, 5-12.

The classes are designed for new and intermediate sailors, 12-years old and up. "A number of things can happen on the water," said Ashlin, "and it's always good to be prepared."

The curriculum will include how a boat sails, sailboat types, basic sailboat maneuvering, rigging and boat handling, safety equipment, trailering, aids to navigation, radio, weather, auxiliary engine, and marlinespike seamanship.

LBMBOA MEETING

Wednesday, April 2, 2014

6 PM @ Long Beach Yacht Club

The Long Beach Marina Boat Owners Association will hold a General Membership Meeting on Wednesday evening, April 2, 2014, at the Long Beach Yacht Club, 6201 Appian Way, Long Beach.

The meeting will start at 6 PM, and will feature light snacks, coffee, tea, and water. A no-host bar will be available as well.

There is no cost to current members of

the LBMBOA, and an \$8.00 charge per person for non-members. Advance reservations are required, and may be made to LBMBOA Board Member Doug Dworski at dworski@earthlink.net or by calling (562) 431-6130 and leaving pertinent information such as your name, telephone number, LBMBOA membership number, number of members and guests attending, etc.

The guest speaker at this meeting will be Elvira Hallinan, the Interim Manager of the Long Beach Marine Bureau.

She will speak on the status of the Alamitos Bay Marina rebuild project, as well as other items of interest to the boating community.

In addition, Alfredo Fernandez, the LBMBOA Webmaster, is on the agenda to discuss the BOA website and the features that it offers to visitors.

Set the date aside and join for an informative evening. Don't forget to RSVP with Doug Dworski (see information above) if you plan to attend.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The Marina Reader remains a useful tool and resource for Long Beach boaters and has taken on a new look and flow. We want to know what you think of the New Marina reader and what is most important to you. Please email maria.cordeiro@longbeach.gov by April 10 with anything you would like to see in upcoming issues of the Marina Reader.

BECOME A DOCKWALKER

The California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW's) and the California Coastal Commission's Boating Clean & Green Program, The Bay Foundation (DBW's Clean Vessel Act program) and the Keep the Delta Clean Program in partnership with, the US Coast Guard Auxiliary, the US Power Squadrons, Save Our Shores and the Lake Berryessa Partnership will conduct more Dockwalker trainings

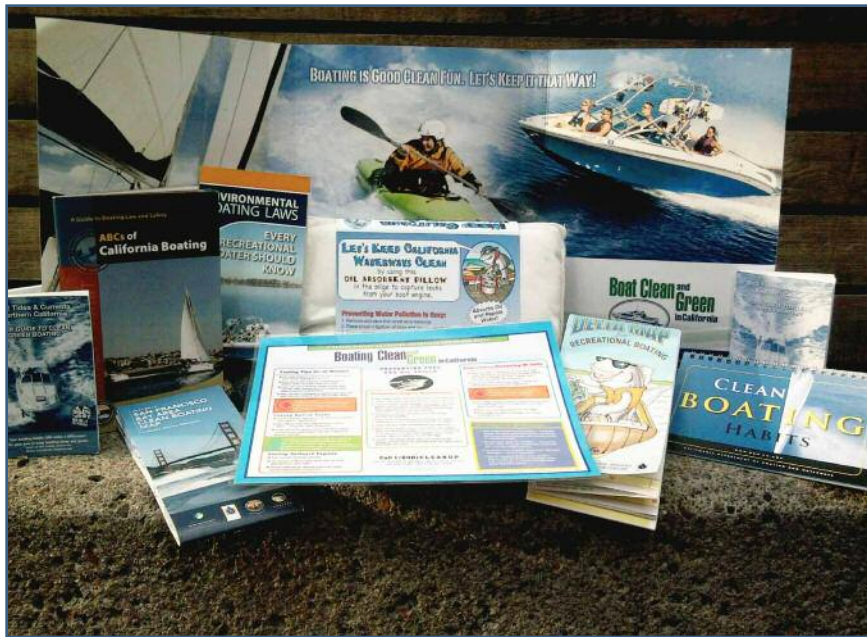
this year. If you are already a trained Dockwalker and were trained more than 3 years ago, please join us this year for a refresher class.

Dockwalkers are trained to engage members of the public and the boating community to adopt clean boating practices. Dockwalkers share clean boating information with boaters and distribute educational materials (boater kits), while visiting marinas, launch ramps, marine supply stores, boat shows and special events (i.e. regattas, opening days, among others).

As you realize, "Dockwalker" is only a generic term because you do not necessarily have to "walk the docks" in order to talk to boaters about safety and clean boating practices. Remember safety and the environment go hand in hand.

Training is FREE and Dockwalking is a fantastic way to interact with boaters to help keep California's marinas, waterways, and ocean clean and healthy. The training provides an overview of environmentally-sound boating practices, information about how to conduct Dockwalking, and educational materials that Dockwalkers will distribute including the 2014 boater kits.

These boater kits include; A Boater's Guide to Keeping Pollutants Out of the Water; Oil Absorbent Pillow to capture oil leaks and drips; a variety of informative Clean and Safe Boating Resources including the "Environmental Boating Laws Every Recreational Boater Should Know," the ABC's of Boating Law, among others. Depending on your region, we may also provide the Delta Clean Boating map and the San Francisco Bay Area Clean Boating Map.



Dockwalkers receive and distribute important information including the Southern California Boater's Guide which include guidelines on keeping the ocean clean, maintenance and boater safety,

In addition, newly trained Southern California Dockwalkers will receive the new edition of the Southern California Boater's Guide. This program provides tons of benefits to:

- * United States Coast Guard Auxiliary
- * Marinas and Yacht clubs
- * United States Power Squadrons

We hope you can join us at a training and become a volunteer Dockwalker! Please help us spread the word about the upcoming trainings. Forward this email to your colleagues and people who might be inter-

ested in our program. You can also include this information in your newsletters, calendars and bulletin boards. If you want us to send you some copies of our flyers, please let us know.

To register for a training or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Vivian Matuk at (415) 904-6905 or vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov.

Upcoming Trainings

April 5, 2014 – San Pedro

10:00 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Cabrillo Marina (San Pedro)

224 Whalers Walk, San Pedro, CA 90731

April 8, 2014 – Petaluma

5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Petaluma Yacht Club

10 C St, Petaluma, CA 94952

April 26, 2014 – Oceanside

10:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Oceanside Yacht Club (Hetrick Room on the 2nd floor)

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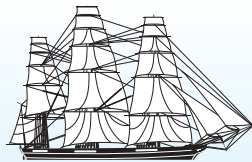
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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Keep Your Contact Information Current

Please keep your contact information up to date. Please take the time to stop by the office or send us a note with your current phone number and mailing address. Unfortunately, there are too many times that we need to contact a boat owner and the phone numbers on file have been disconnected.

Email is also a great way to stay in touch. If you are a permittee in the Alamitos Bay Marina and you would like to add an email address to your file you can send the information to Janice Cantu at: Janice.cantu@longbeach.gov.

Prevent Oily Discharges Into the Water

Place an oil absorbent or pillow in the bilge. They can be purchased at your local marine supply store for a nominal fee.

Absorbents can also be used when changing the oil and when fueling up the tank. If your boat has an extremely oily bilge,

you may consider using a bilge pumpout service that properly disposes of the wastewater.

Do Not Add Soap

Never use soap to disperse fuel or oil spills. It is harmful to the environment and illegal. Avoid using bilge cleaners as they may get discharged overboard.

Vessel Registration Renewal

Vessel registration renewals are due by December 31. The Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) issues a Certificate of Number (registration certificate) and registration stickers to identify a vessel as currently registered.

A copy of the current registration must be kept on board your boat whenever it is used on the water. The registration (CF) numbers must be painted on or permanently attached to each side of the forward part of the vessel. The CF's must be plain, vertical block characters at least 3 inches high, of a

contrasting color to the hull, and be arranged to read from left to right.

Generally, every sail-powered vessel over eight feet long and every motor-driven vessel (regardless of length) that is not documented by the U.S. Coast Guard and is used or on state waters are subject to DMV registration. Commercial vessels that are five net tons or more or 30 feet or more in length must be documented by the U.S. Coast Guard.

Vessels previously registered in other states must be registered in California within 120 days of being brought into the state, if it will be used upon California waterways the majority of the time. Harbor Patrol recommends registering all boats. Skiffs are frequently found adrift, both inside the harbor and at sea.

If a skiff has current CF numbers posted, it is much easier to locate the owner when the vessel is recovered. For more DMV vessel registration information, please visit: www.dmv.ca.gov/boatsinfo/boat.htm.

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Safety Reminder

The U.S. Coast Guard estimates that life jackets could have saved the lives of over 80% of boating fatality victims.

As a boat operator, you are in command of the safety of your passengers. But accidents can, and do happen with terrifying speed on the water.

There is rarely time to reach stowed life jackets. The U. S. Coast Guard challenges

you and your passengers to always wear your life jacket while on the water. The Good News: boaters enjoy the feel of sun and spray.

Others are inflatable and as compact as a scarf or fanny pack until they hit water, when they automatically fill with air. There is no excuse not to wear a life jacket.

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